Report toTwinning committee4 October 2018Report ofDirector of business servicesSubjectTwinning Fund – Financial Position

Purpose

This report informs the committee of the current financial position of the twinning fund.

Recommendation

To note the balance of the twinning fund is approximately £2154.07

Corporate and service priorities

The report helps to meet the corporate priority to provide a prosperous and vibrant city. The twinning associations contribute to the council's service plan priority by promoting and fostering links and exchanges of all kinds between people of Norwich and the twin cities.

Financial implications

There are sufficient funds within the twinning account to cover this request.

Ward/s: Not applicable

Cabinet member: Councillor Packer, health and wellbeing

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Background documents

None

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1. The transactions since May 2018 are as follows: Opening balance: £4,164.50

Expenditure transactions in from May 2018 to August 2018 are below

Date	Transactions	£
May 2018	Book for Civic trip to Novi Sad	12.99
June 2018	Flight to Novi Sad	348.72
June 2018	Flight to Novi Sad	348.72
July 2018	Grant to Triorca Trust	500.00
August 2018	Norfolk & Norwich Novi Sad Association	200.00
August 2018	Norfolk & Norwich Koblenz Friendship Association	200.00
August 2018	Norfolk & Norwich El Viejo Friendship Link	200.00
August 2018	Norfolk & Norwich Rouen Friendship Association	200.00

Closing balance: £2,154.07

- 2. The expenditure this financial year is listed above.
- 3. Members of the committee are reminded that applications for grants for twinning related activities can be made by completing a form and contacting the city council. The committee may also wish to put aside funding to support twinning associations to hold special events to celebrate anniversaries in Norwich or to visit twinned cities.
- 4. We recommend that all associations submit a request for funding for twinning activities in 2018-19 which can be considered at meetings of the committee. This way we can plan expenditure for events and ensure that there is a fair distribution of funding.
- 5. The committee will consider a grant application for twinning activities later on at this meeting.